

SENATE BILL 1134

By Bunch

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 58,
Chapter 2, Part 1, relative to emergencies.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 58, Chapter 2, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

§ 58-2-1__.

(a) Nothing in this part shall authorize the seizure or confiscation of any firearm or ammunition from any individual who is lawfully carrying or possessing the firearm or ammunition except as provided subsection (b).

(b) A peace officer who is acting in the lawful discharge of the officer's official duties may disarm an individual if the officer reasonably believes it is immediately necessary for the protection of the officer or another individual. The peace officer shall return the firearm to the individual before discharging that individual unless the officer arrests that individual for engaging in criminal activity, or seizes the firearm as evidence pursuant to an investigation for the commission of a crime.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.